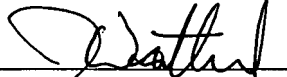


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APPLICANT(S) : Mark B. Knudson, et al.
SERIAL NO. : 10/682,067
FILED : October 9, 2003
FOR : Method and Apparatus for Performing Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery
GROUP ART UNIT : 3738
EXAMINER : David J. Isabella

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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER TO THE
BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

S I R:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated December 21, 2006
rejecting claims:

16, 18-22, 24, 31, 33-41, 43-51, 53-64

The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

1. ☒ Appeal Fee (37 CFR 1.17(b))

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01 FC:2401

250.00 OP

02 FC:2253

510.00 OP

☐ Other than small entity

\$500.00

☒ Small entity

\$250.00

☐ Verified statement attached

☐ Verified statement was filed

2. ☒ A petition and fee for an extension of time for reply to the rejection is attached.
Extension fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)-1.17(a)(5))

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☐ \$120 ☐ \$450 ☐ \$1,020 ☐ \$1,590 ☐ \$2,160

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☐ Verified statement attached

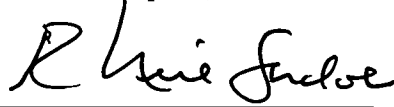
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☐ \$60 ☐ \$225 ☒ \$510 ☐ \$795 ☐ \$1,080

3. ☒ Check attached for the sum of \$760.00

4. ☒ Please charge any additional fees due in connection with this Notice of Appeal to Deposit Account Number 04-0838. A duplicate copy of this Notice is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,
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